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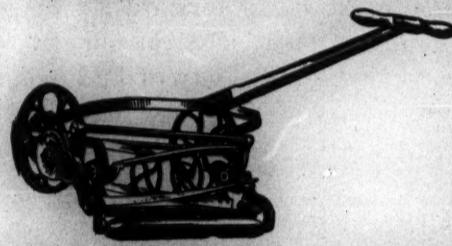
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EDITORIAL

MAY has always been the month in song and poetry in which to praise the beauties of nature, and while the glories of summer's prodigal bloom are lacking and the richness of autumn's harvests is merely promised in the delicate green of blade and leaf, still the heart of man rejoices at this possibility of a freer intercourse with earth, and sky, and bud, and breeze. Everything calls to one to plant and sow, to commit to mother earth the seeds and bulbs, hoping for a harvest of beauty or useful grain as the months unfold out of the mysterious depths of time. This season of going forth to lay out the land for the harvest of the useful and the beautiful falls well in tune with the ideal of the South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, which holds its ninth annual convention on May 7th-10th, at Orangeburg, S. C. This meeting promises to be one of the largest and most helpful that this federation has ever held. Mrs. Sarah S. Platt-Decker, the president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, will be the guest of honor on this occasion, and will bring to the meeting that inspiration and enthusiasm which always must come from a personality which directs and is the executive head of a great movement of humanitarian and social influence.

South Carolina club women will welcome the coming of the General Federation president as a distinct gain in their federation's development, and Mrs. Decker's presence and words of advice and encouragement will put the South Carolina club women in closer touch with the aims and endeavors of the American club women as united and concentrated in the larger organization of the General Federation.

The women of South Carolina have organized into their clubs in order that their efforts may be better directed and more efficient in planting in the garden of human souls such hopes, aspirations, ideals and endeavors as will reap the harvest of a more beautiful home land, a love of letters and learning in our midst, greater care and safeguards for the poor and unfortunate of earth, protection for little children and dumb animals; in fact, all those factors in life which tend towards the uplifting of humanity. These annual conventions are the May-time of the club woman's efforts, the planting time of new ideas, of social concourse with one another, the turning over of the soil, making it in condition to produce the good harvests of club activities in the fall and winter season. Every woman endeavors to carry to these meetings her best and highest self, and the ethical and material interests of the State, and the various communities represented by these women are the gainers by the efforts and achievements of this earnest and unselfish band of women.

VIRGINIA club women have issued a call for the purpose of organizing a Virginia Federation at Lynchburg on May 15th. The call is sent out by the Woman's Club of Lynchburg, and already twenty-five clubs

in the State have responded, expressing an earnest desire to be represented at this meeting. The question of a State Federation in Virginia has been agitated in various communities for a number of years, and the time is now ripe for the perfect organization. There are many active, earnest, wide-awake club women in Virginia, and a most enthusiastic meeting is anticipated. Southern club women extend their hearty congratulations to the charter members of the Virginia State Federation in this step forward in organized, united effort.

LOVE of native land and appreciation of its heroes are characteristics that go hand in hand with civilization, and most fortunate, indeed, are those nations who keep the fires of patriotism burning brightly in the hearts of their children. Patriotism belongs to the things of the spirit; it is nurtured in the home, by the evening fireside, at the mother's knee, but it expresses its power on the battlefield and the high seas, in the forum and among the busy marts of the great cities of the earth.

Various and many have been the means employed by which this spirit of patriotism might be engendered in the hearts of the youth of the nations, but it has been left for this century and age to develop the patriotic societies and associations as a means to this end.

These associations, by their meetings, observances of special historic anniversaries, by their publications and their monuments in marble and bronze, are fostering a spirit of patriotism which must eventually make an impress on American ideals of patriotism and citizenship.

The Daughters of the Confederacy, one of the great American patriotic societies, are looking forward with high anticipation to the unveiling of their great monument to Jefferson Davis on June 3d, 1907, in the city of Richmond, Virginia. Practically every part of the monument is in readiness, and the school children of Richmond paid their loving tribute to the memories of the Confederacy when, on April 18th, uniting their tiny strength, and escorted by the Confederate camps and organizations of that city, they drew the bronze statue of Mr. Davis through the streets of the city from the railway station to the site of the monument, where its granite pedestal awaited its coming. The Confederate Reunion of May 30th-June 3d, in Richmond, will be the most memorable of these great gatherings of the people of the South. The unveiling of the beautiful and spirited monument to the great cavalry leader, J. B. E. Stuart, on May 30th, together with the elaborate ceremonies attending the unveiling of the Davis monument on June 3d, will attract to Richmond vast crowds intent on paying homage to the fame and memory of these two great Confederates. And Richmond will be quite prepared for this reason of reunion.

Every effort that appeals to the ideal in life raises men's souls above the sordid and the material. Patriotic societies, North, South, East and West, all are doing their part in inspiring their various communities to admiration and reverence for the great and good in history. Each has its place and each has its work to accomplish. May the sum of them all be the developing of that "righteousness which exhalteth a nation."

OFFICIAL CLUB NEWS

For the State Federation of Women's Clubs of South Carolina, Mississippi, North Carolina and Florida.
(This Department is official, and will be continued monthly.)

SOUTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

Address all communications for South Carolina to Mrs. Julius M. Visanska, Corresponding Secretary S. C. F. W. C., 2 Bull Street, Charleston, S. C., Manager.

President—Mrs. A. F. McKissick, Greenwood, S. C.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. A. Russell, Greenville, S. C.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. M. Visanska, 2 Bull Street, Charleston, S. C.
(67 Clubs—3,000 Members.)

THE ninth annual convention of the South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs will be held at Orangeburg, May 7th-10th. The program is as follows:

Tuesday, May 7th, 6:30 P. M.—Meeting of the Board of Directors, Executive Board, and Credential Committee at the Elks' Hall.

Tuesday evening at 9 o'clock a reception at the residence of Mrs. A. C. Dukes, tendered by the Moultrie Chapter, D. A. R.

Wednesday, 10 A. M.—Convention called to order.

Invocation by Rev. J. L. McLees.

Address of welcome by Mayor T. C. Doyle.

Address of welcome by Mrs. H. C. Wannamaker, president Orangeburg City Federation.

Response by Mrs. R. D. Wright, Newberry.

Reports of Credential Committee and Committee on Rules.

Reports of officers.

President's address.

Address by Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker, president of the General Federation.

Report of chairman of Educational Department.

Lunch served by the Paul McMichael Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy.

Wednesday, 2 P. M.—The afternoon session will be given up to the reports of Reciprocity, Forestry and Civics, Art and Handicraft, Kindergarten, Library Extension, and Domestic Science Departments.

Wednesday, 8:30 P. M.—Opera House. Music at this session furnished by the Mendelssohn Choral Club.

Address, Forestry in the South, by Prof. D. B. House, of Clemson College, S. C.

Music.

Address, Industrial Education for Women, by Miss Wickliffe, Winthrop College, S. C.

Music.

Thursday, 10 A. M.—Report on President's address.

Civil Service Reform report.

Report fifteen clubs.

Report of South Carolina School Improvement Association, by Miss Mary Nance, president, Abbeville.

Roll call.

Constitutional amendments.

Lunch served by Dixie Club.

Thursday, 2 P. M.—Unfinished business and new business; election of officers.

Thursday evening, a reception at the residence of Mrs. John Cart, tendered by the Mendelssohn Choral Club and the Eutaw Chapter, D. A. R.

Friday, 10 A. M.—Council of club presidents, with Mrs. Decker presiding.

11 A. M.—Meeting of Board of Directors.

12 M.—Executive Board meeting.

WEDNESDAY will be club woman's day, and Charleston, Columbia, Sumter and Summerville promise to send large numbers for this day. The Orangeburg club women will look after all club women in attendance, and it is hoped that many club women will avail themselves of the opportunity of meeting Mrs. Decker.

THE RAILROADS have granted the regular one and one-third fare rate for this occasion, and all club women are urged to obtain their certificates at point of departure, so that every certificate can be counted.

IN RESPONSE to an invitation from the Woman's Club of Newberry, Mrs. Rufus Fant, of Anderson, met with the ladies of that town on February 14, and after an interesting and convincing talk by this enthusiastic Chairman of Civics, an association was formed with thirty charter members. At a meeting held a few days later, a constitution was adopted, officers elected, and committees appointed in each ward to secure members. At the end of one month, the membership list has increased to considerably more than one hundred, and at the first meeting after the election of officers, fifty enthusiastic women were present. Several lines of work have been planned, and by the time this is in print, neatly painted garbage barrels, bearing the letters "C. A.," will have been distributed in both business and residence sections of the town, arrangements having been made with the Town Council and Board of Health that no more trash shall be allowed thrown on the streets, and that these barrels shall be emptied regularly. This is only one of many things that the Civic Association of Newberry hopes to accomplish. The officers are: President, Mrs. R. D. Wright; First Vice-President, Mrs. L. W. Floyd; Second Vice-President, Mrs. O. McR. Holmes; Secretary, Mrs. J. A. Norwood; Treasurer, Miss Fannie McCaughrin; Auditor, Mrs. W. K. Sligh; Chairmen, Mesdames S. B. Jones, E. M. Evans, E. H. Aull, M. A. Carlisle and Rena Kinard.

THE CENTURY CLUB, Charleston, observed Civil Service Reform Day on April 8th in a most appropriate manner at the residence of Miss M. J. Buist. Miss Adele Vander Horst, the State Chairman of Civil Service Reform, read a comprehensive paper on the practical work accomplished by club women in this direction, and gave an interesting talk descriptive of her visits in company with the Century Club president to the Almshouse and jail. Miss Neufville contributed a paper on the theoretical side of Civil Service Reform, and Miss Louisa Poppenheim introduced Mr. W. K. Tate, principal of the Memminger High School for girls, who spoke most forcibly on Civil Service Reform in Education as applied to local conditions. These subjects aroused much animated discussion.

THE CIVIC CLUB, Charleston, had the traveling art gallery of the General Federation on exhibition under its patronage at the Gibbes' Art Building, April 13th and 14th. An admission of ten cents was charged to adults, but all children in the city were extended an invitation to attend the exhibit gratuitously. The club hoped by this means to inculcate in the younger generation a love of the beautiful and an appreciation of art. The collection of etchings was especially admired, and the public hopes to have the gallery visit Charleston every year. The proceeds from the door receipts, over and above the charges for express, will go towards the fund for the State Reformatory for wayward boys.

THE NEW CENTURY CLUB, Johnston, S. C., has presented since the fall opening of their club season, three silver

spoons to the club babies. Each new baby in the club is presented with a silver spoon engraved with its name, the date of its birth and "presented by the New Century Club." This club celebrated Civil Service Reform Day in March by a most excellent program, which presented such subjects in papers and for discussion as "*The Spoils System*," "*The Merit System*," "*What Women's Clubs Can Do for Civil Service Reform*," and "*Why Should the Individual Woman Inform Herself on the Subject of Civil Service*."

Musical selections completed the program for the afternoon.

MISSISSIPPI FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

Address all communications for Mississippi to Mrs. E. C. Coleman, Kosciusko, Manager.

President—Mrs. Robt. E. Jones, Crystal Springs.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. R. J. Harding, Jackson.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. A. F. Andre, Crystal Springs.
(35 Clubs.)

WRITING of the president of the Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. D. N. Hebron says:

"Mrs. Jones is pre-eminently a representative Southern woman, believing implicitly in Southern ideals of woman's work; that it should proceed through influence rather than public effort. The mistress of a refined and most hospitable home, the wife of one of the foremost physicians of his State, the mother of the efficient cashier of the Bank of Commerce in Crystal Springs, the mother of lovely daughters, who are proficient in all womanly accomplishments, she shrinks from the aggressive type that has brought ridicule on so much of woman's efforts.

Yet she keeps step with progress, was the originator of the Crystal Springs Floral Club, and a promotor of the Crystal Springs Flower Show, a wonderful artistic success.

As president of the federation she is so popular that she was literally forced to accept the presidency a second time. If it were possible to gain her consent, the office would be hers yet again. She will take home with her the affection and admiration of every woman who has known her as president.

THERE are a great many ways, I am sure, in which the club women of Mississippi can help greatly the great work of education in the State.

The great end with the leaders of education at this time is to adjust our schools so as to bring them more in contact with life and to broaden school work so as to include agriculture, simple mechanics and household economics. To accomplish these things public sentiment must be educated along these lines. The people regard education too much as "book learning." I will suggest a few of the ways that appear to me in which your federation could render most help to us.

1. Reading movements. It seems to me to be quite feasible to gather up the magazines of the members of the clubs, and through the club organizations, the magazines of the country for distribution to the country. The fact that these publications would be several months old would not be objectionable, as the articles are of the class that make them good for all time.

Means might be devised for the collection of books for the schools. Schemes for the use and distribution of the books might be worked out through your committee. The law now permits the County Superintendent of Education to pay ten dollars out of the public funds for a school library, when the school raises a like amount. The work of raising this amount might be stimulated by the efforts of the clubs.

2. School Houses and Grounds. I know of no better way of extending practical help than in the distribution of well worked out literature on the questions of school house sanitation, school grounds, etc. Our school houses as a general thing are ugly and uncomfortable. When can these conditions be changed? Not until we can get a more intelligent public sentiment aroused on these questions. Who could assist in this great work more than our representative women? Why could not the clubs of one County take up one school house and make it comfortable and beautiful, have pictures made of it and distributed. Literature could be sent out on the subjects of school gardens and household economics, and in a great variety of ways your splendid organization could be made most potent in crystallizing a sentiment for schools demanded for the complex age in which the present generation of children must live and work.

3. In the towns of the State the problem of the school is to get in closer contact with the parents. Too many of our fathers and mothers think their full duty has been accomplished when they have turned their children over to the teachers.

There must be built up a hearty co-operation between the parents and teachers, each must be made to see the other's problems. I know of no way that the clubs could serve the school interest better than to provide schemes for the bringing of the patrons and teachers together. Why not have a patrons' and teachers' club in every town? They ought to be in perfect sympathy instead of antagonistic as is often the case. I could write for hours of the many, many things you could do for us. The field is white with the harvest. We need you. You could engage in no more far-reaching work for all that is good, pure, true and useful than by helping prepare the children of this generation for the great life in which they must live. H. L. WHITEFIELD.

Jackson, Miss. State Superintendent of Education.

MRS. C. L. ANDERSON, of Kosciusko, Chairman of traveling libraries, requests the club women to send her books, magazines, and pictures to form an Art Library, and one on Domestic Science. She asks that the club women shall continue to pay the yearly 10 cents contribution for traveling libraries.

MR. SMITH, Superintendent of Education of Holmes County, has recently organized "corn clubs" among the school boys of his County, a prize to be given to the boy raising the greatest number of bushels per acre. Seeing how readily the boys took to the idea, he has devised a method of forming the girls into culture clubs, to train and direct them in raising flowers, making cakes, and doing fancy needlework. His wife has been one of the most intelligent members of the Durant Woman's Club. Other Counties are forming corn clubs.

I could not well do without your little paper.

Washington, D. C.

(MRS. E. T.) DAISY S. EGERTON.

NORTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

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President—Mrs. J. T. Alderman, Henderson, N. C.
Recording Secretary—Miss Sallie Simms Kirby, Goldsboro, N. C.
Corresponding Secretary—Miss Rebecca Cheatham Watkins, Henderson, N. C.
(35 Clubs—960 Members.)

MRS. J. T. ALDERMAN will be absent from the meeting at Wilmington. She is now seriously ill at St. Vincent's Hospital, Norfolk, Va. Mingled with our regrets are our prayers for her recovery; and our sincere sympathy goes out to her in this hour of physical suffering and bitter disappointment at her failure to be at her post of duty.

THE WILMINGTON Sorosis will be at home, to North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, on Tuesday, April 23, eight thirty o'clock at the residence of Mrs. R. W. Hicks.

THE HOME ECONOMICS Department of the Woman's Club of Charlotte was formerly the Domestic Science Department of the club. It was decided at the beginning of the club year to change the name of the department to Home Economics, thus giving a wider scope. We meet at the homes of the members very informally. After the papers and demonstrations are given, there is a general discussion, and each member is at liberty to express her opinion. We discuss such subjects as Home Expenditures, Furnishings of the Home, Home Sanitation, The Beautifying of the Home Grounds, Value of Foods, etc., etc.

When the subject, Furnishing of the Home, was under discussion one of the members brought a plan showing the ideal dining room and kitchen. The plumbing, the ventilation, the finishings, etc., were taken up in detail, and we learned how this portion of our homes should be constructed. One of our meetings was given to the subject, Various Forms of Bread, and one of the ladies brought coffee rolls, and gave the recipe for them, and then they were served with coffee. We try to vary our program so that all members may be interested, and we feel that the meetings have been both pleasant and instructive.

MRS. EDWIN HOWARD,
Chairman.

FLORIDA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

Address all communications for Florida to Mrs. C. B. Farrell, Live Oak, Manager.

President—Mrs. Clara W. Raynor, Daytona.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. S. Frederick, Miami.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Milo McNeal, Ormond.
(25 Clubs—1,100 Members.)

OFFICERS and members of the Florida State Federation: I shall send a marked copy of the *Keystone* to every club on our records, so that the message I have for you this month cannot fail to reach you as club women, and, also that the official organ of our State Federation may be brought, in some way, to your notice.

That a paper so ably edited and presenting each month such a concise and interesting account of all the organizations to which Southern women belong, should have at last

enumeration but fifty-five subscribers among Florida club members does not seem a credit to the average intelligence of club workers. The multiplicity of publications is not an excuse for club members being ignorant of what the General or State Federations really are, and what their work means to the civic and industrial conditions of the world, and especially its meaning to each individual. If women do not read their club magazine, they cannot but remain in a state of ignorance. This state produces a lack of interest in all federation departments. Hence the distaste of the average club member for a club program, calling for a Civic or Bird Protection or an Industrial day, etc., down to the end of the list of the Federation's admirably planned work.

Hence the excuses and reasons for declining to serve as members of these department committees, or even of permitting names to be used, considering that to be their sole mission, and leaving all the burdens of the day on the perplexed chairman, who, after sending out postals, or letters, all in vain, shouldering all responsibility, in producing plans for work and carrying them out, when half the valuable time of the year has been consumed in fruitless correspondence.

Perhaps your president is too frank in stating facts, but facts and stubborn ones they still remain.

As our last ex-president so clearly stated, in her Tallahassee address, federation consists in something more than paying dues and sending delegates to the annual convention. The responsibility for a successful year's work does not rest on your president's or your Executive Committee's shoulders, but on every pair of shoulders belonging to a federated club woman.

If you have not knowledge, you cannot work on these lines that are so vital to you and your children.

Now that good and wise men are proud to co-operate with women's plans and aid in their execution, it behooves every woman to at least fall into line and be posted on the progress of women's work, so I plead with you, to subscribe for and read your club papers, *The Keystone* and *The Federation Bulletin*, for, from their several columns, lead all lines of thought, and many brilliant women and men give of their very best for the contents.

Let chairmen of each club program have readings given from the one or both magazines, on several of their programs during club year; they will not prove fossil, or dull matter, but as interesting as a romance, and as tragic as life itself, because they deal with the perplexities of the human soul.

I know a club woman (a good worker) who scoffs at Reciprocity Day, but approves highly of the club motto, "Of the best that is in you, give freely to your neighbor."

Theories and ideals keep the world moving, progressing, but, alas, if we do not try to compass them in a practical way, of what avail are they?

An illustration is at my hand to-day, if the personality may be pardoned by my helpful chairman.

This club woman accepted the responsibility under pressure, doubting her ability. This month's issue shows how courage and enthusiasm became infectious, spread from committee to little children and their parents in her own community, and now is being sent to you, that you may go and do likewise. And so the good work goes on under the

efficient State Chairmen of all departments, but sisters, it is not easy work. It means hours of thought, of nerve expenditure, and sacrifice of personal pleasure and time, and hence I ask that each club member will catch the *esprit de corps* and care and do more for the truly vital work of her own club and community.

Faithfully yours,

CLARA W. RAYNER,
Pres. F. F. of Women's Clubs.

THROUGH the medium of the Keystone I wish to tell the club women of Florida of the success of a plan I put into operation in my town for arousing an interest in birds, and stimulating efforts for their preservation. Acting on the belief that the best way to reach the sympathy, and secure the co-operation of a community is through the children, I appointed a day in the school to be observed as Bird Day, and offered prizes, one each for the best declamation on the subject of birds and for the best essay on the preservation of birds, the former to be competed for by the lower grades in the school. The pupils responded enthusiastically to the idea, and eagerly accepted all the literature of this department I was able to distribute among them, as an aid in acquiring some knowledge of birds in general, and especially of the birds of Florida.

The parents and friends of the pupils were, naturally, interested in the contest, consequently the attendance was large on the occasion, and the unanimous verdict at the class exercises was in favor of the birds.

I appeal to each club in this State to do this much at least, and the result will be so gratifying, in the interest aroused, and the number of members secured for the Florida Audubon Society, that they will be encouraged to follow it up with other plans, promising equal success.

MRS. C. K. ANDERSON,
State Chairman of Bird Protection.
High Springs, Fla.

GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

President—Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker, 1550 Sherman Ave., Denver, Col.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Charles Perkins, 1547 Clinch Ave., Knoxville, Tenn.

(Up-to-date Notes.)

[The *Federation Bulletin*, "the official organ" of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, according to agreement at the St. Paul Biennial, sends out to all sectional "official organs," each month, advance sheets of the official General Federation news, which it has received for publication. The following are official items for May.]

THE council meeting of the General Federation will be held at the Inside Inn, at the Jamestown Exposition, Norfolk, Va., June 5 and 6, 1907. The Inside Inn has been decided upon for headquarters, and the sessions of the council will be held in the Convention Hall, Inside Inn. The program is as follows:

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5.

Morning Session, 10 O'clock—Invocation.
Federation hymn.

Greeting, Mrs. Sarah S. Platt Decker, president General Federation.
Address of welcome, Miss Gatewood, president Norfolk Woman's Club.
Response, Mrs. May Alden Ward, second vice-president General Federation.

Topics for Discussion: Plans of Standing Committees; Education; Library Extension, Mrs. Addison F. Broomhall, chairman, Troy, Ohio; Art, Mrs. John B. Sherwood, chairman, Chicago, Illinois; Literature, Miss Mary B. Poppenheim, chairman, Charleston, S. C.; Forestry, Mrs. P. S. Peterson, chairman, Chicago, Ill.; Per Capita Tax, Mrs. Philip N. Moore, first vice-president General Federation.

Afternoon Session, 2 O'clock—Interfederation Committee, Mrs. Philip Carpenter, New York; Outlook Committee, Mrs. T. J. Fletcher, chairman, Marshalltown, Iowa; Biennial Program, Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker, chairman, Austin, Texas.

Conference of State Presidents and General Federation State Secretaries.

Evening Session, 8 O'clock—Music, Norfolk Woman's Club.
Address, "Beauty in Common Things," Mr. Henry Turner Bailey, North Scituate, Mass.

THURSDAY, JUNE 6.

Morning Session, 10 O'clock—Plans of Standing Committees.
Topics for Discussion: Civics, Mrs. Joseph B. Dibrell, chairman, Seguin, Texas; Civil Service Reform, Miss Anna L. Clark, chairman, Bonnville, Mo.; Industrial and Child Labor, Mrs. Clarence Burns, chairman, New York City; Legislative, Mrs. Mary Morton Kehew, chairman, Boston, Mass.; Household Economics, Mrs. Margaret J. Blair, chairman, St. Paul, Minn.; Pure Food, Mrs. Walter McNab Miller, chairman, Columbia, Mo.; Reciprocity, Mrs. Herbert M. Bushnell, chairman, Lincoln, Neb.; Bureau of Information, Mrs. Mary I. Wood, chairman, Portsmouth, N. H. General topics.

Afternoon Session, 2 O'clock, Auditorium Jamestown Exposition, Mrs. Decker, presiding—Greeting, Hon. H. St. George Tucker, president of the Jamestown Exposition.

A Word from the Board of Directors of the General Federation.
Address, "True Patriotism," Mrs. A. S. Buchanan, Memphis, Tenn.
Address, "Moral Education in Schools," Miss Jane Brownlee, San Diego, Cal.

Thursday Evening, 8:30 O'clock, Inside Inn—Reception to official board of the General Federation and to visiting club women by Norfolk Woman's Club.

The rates at the Inside Inn include admission to the Exposition grounds each day, and the guest will be allowed to use a pass permitting her to leave the Exposition grounds and return to same without charge. These rates can only be secured by reserving accommodations on or before May 15.

THE BOSTON BIENNIAL.—At a meeting of the Local Biennial Board, held April 4, the Committee on Halls, Mrs. Royal N. Whiton, chairman, reported that rooms suitable for State headquarters have been secured from the Emerson College of Oratory, in immediate proximity to Symphony Hall, where the Biennial meetings will be held.

It was voted by the board that no charge should be made to State delegations for the use of these rooms during Biennial week.

SARA T. S. LEIGHTON,
Chairman Press Committee.

THE TRANSPORTATION Committee has been unable to obtain any concessions from the railroads for club women attending the General Federation Council at the Jamestown Exposition, on June 5, 6, 1907, other than the regular excursion rates which will be in force for the Exposition. Information as to these rates may be obtained at all the local ticket offices.

ALICE M. JOHNSON,
Chairman.

MRS. MARY I. WOOD, manager of the Bureau of Information, Portsmouth, N. H., reports an increased demand daily upon the bureau, the application for study outlines outnumbering all other requests, while the need of magazine references and bibliography form a close second. Mrs. Wood also reports that very soon after the St. Paul Biennial a library of more than 100 books were contributed by individuals, clubs and federations, as an experiment towards the establishment of a loan library for the bureau, and that this experiment is successful. She says: "More books are needed and more will be received. Once demonstrate that a thing is needed and useful, and the public rallies to its support. The General Federation intends that the bureau shall be of so much value to the club women of the country that they can never afford to dispense with it."

THE FOUR MODEL programs prepared by the Literature Committee are ready for distribution among the clubs and may be secured by any club, upon application from any member of the Literature Committee of the General Federation, from State Chairmen of Literature and from the Bureau of Information.

MARY B. POPPENHEIM,

Chairman Literature Committee, G. F. W. C.
Charleston, S. C.

SUGGESTIONS for general reading as provided for in the plan of the Literature Committee:

I would recommend as a list of books to be read in connection with Civic Improvement:

"Modern Civic Art," Charles Mulford Robinson. Illustrated. \$3. (G. P. Putnam's Sons.)

"The Improvement of Town and Village." Same author and publishers. \$1.25.

"A Decade of Civic Development." Charles Zueblin. \$1.25. (University of Chicago Press.)

Magazine articles (Poole's Index):

"What is Junior Civics?" E. G. Routzahn. *Chautauquan*, Vol. 37, 466-471.

"The Beautifying of Village and Town." Sylvester Baxter. *Century*. Vol. 63, 844-851.

"Village Improvement Societies." Mary C. Robbins. *Atlantic*, Vol. 69, 212.

"Our Village Improvement Society." Eben E. Rexford. *Lippincott's*, Vol. 66, 480.

LOUISE GRAHAM,
Member Literature Committee.

THE ART COMMITTEE met in Chicago February 26, with representatives from several States, and were especially happy in having Mrs. Decker and Mrs. Moore with us. The program for the Biennial was discussed, and many ideas suggested, some of which we hope to carry out. Reports of the Travelling Art Galleries of American Paintings were most gratifying.

A special request from the committee is that galleries be forwarded promptly according to directions. Otherwise the entire route must be changed, thus seriously inconveniencing those that have expected it on certain dates, and making the work of the committee much more exacting in consequence of the great number of letters that must be written.

Another request is that clubs desiring the pictures the coming year will send in their applications before the close of the club year, as the route can be more advantageously arranged when the list of places is complete. The exhibits have proved of great educational value in the smaller towns, giving the children, especially, correct ideas of art and fostering a love of beauty.

MARY K. HOLMES,
Secretary Art Committee.

CLUB WOMEN all over the country will be deeply grieved to learn of the death of Miss May Abbott, chairman of the Educational Committee of the General Federation. Miss Abbott had been in bad health for some years, but was actively occupied in her educational work until the middle of February, when she was prevailed upon to enter a hospital for special treatment; the end came unexpectedly on March 23d. The General Federation has lost one of its ablest workers; the cause of education, one of its most active champions, and the sympathy of all club women goes out to her bereaved family and community in their irreparable loss.

THE LOUISIANA Federation of Women's Clubs held its annual convention at Lake Charles the latter part of April. Mrs. W. A. Wilkinson, Wowshatta, is president, and Mrs. Frances Shuttleworth, Shreveport, is the corresponding secretary.

MRS. JOSIAH E. COWLES, the Treasurer of the General Federation, has just returned from a trip to Honolulu, visiting the Hawaiian Woman's Club, which is most active in its district visiting nurse work. Mrs. Cowles also found a College Woman's Club in this interesting country.

THE Every Monday Club of Richmond, Va., successor to The Every Tuesday Club, was organized in the autumn of 1889.

The club, as the name implies, meets every Monday afternoon in the home of one of its members. The membership is limited to twenty-five, with an average attendance of twenty-two, and the dues are twenty-five cents a year.

The program and place of meeting are assigned by the president for three meetings in advance.

In the eighteen years of its life, the club has showed a marked advance in its work, both as to efficiency and as to the standard of programs chosen.

These programs are arranged each April by a committee, who receive suggestions from all the members, the most popular subject being adopted.

Some of the subjects studied are: "The Greatest Thinkers," "The Greatest Cities of the World," "British Art," "American Art," "Modern French, Spanish, and German Art." (During these programs the club used small prints of all the famous paintings.) "Southern Literature," "Shakespeare's Roman Plays," "The Study of Richmond," "Browning's Ring and the Book," "Tennyson's Idylls of the King," "Some Studies in Colonial History."

One year was given to the writing of a novel called "A Club Romance, or, Who is the Heroine?" It was a charming little story, full of humor as well as of romance, and reflects great credit upon the members, each of whom contributed a chapter. The second chapter was written by Mrs. E. W. Barksdale, who has since launched on the literary tide her novel, "Stella Hope."

Another one of our members, Mrs. Charles Bosher, wrote another popular novel, entitled "When Love is Love."

The club counts among its honorary members. Prof. C. H. Winston, Prof. J. Pollard, Dr. J. C. Hilden, Dr. S. C. Mitchell, Dr. J. A. C. Chandler, Dr. W. L. Foushee, Rabbi E. N. Calish, Dr. J. Wm. Jones, and Prof. J. C. Metcalf, Dr. S. C. Gardner.

A committee from the club recently appeared before the Virginia Legislature and were instrumental in having the game laws relative to shooting of birds, especially song birds, revised and much improved.

The program for next year is Little Journeys into Europe. The officers of the club for 1907 are: Mrs. S. C. Gardner, president; Mrs. Benj. Crump, vice-president; and Mrs. J. William Craig, secretary.

(Mrs. J. W.) LOTTIE HARTMAN CRAIG,
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 (97 Chapters—4,280 Members.)

BEAUVOIR is now completed and the Daughters of Virginia are ready to welcome their guests through the coming months. The hostesses who will represent every section of the Old Dominion will do all in their power to add to the comfort and pleasure of every one within their doors. Owing to the protracted illness of the State president, Mrs. W. R. McKenney, Mrs. C. B. Tate, first vice-president, will receive in her place, together with the officers of the Division, officers of the Building Association, members of the various committees and the Board of Directors and Advisory Board. The guests of honor are Mrs. Wm. Mahone, Mrs. Thos. J. Jackson, and Mrs. J. E. B. Stuart, whose presence will add greatly to the pleasure of all present, especially the Veterans, who seem to live over again the days of '61-65 whenever they meet the wives and daughters of their beloved commanders. The following hostesses will be present during the summer:

Mrs. W. T. Patton and Miss Belle Tyler, of Radford; Mrs. Nelson Sale and Mrs. W. T. Yancey, of Bedford City; Mrs. O. C. Smith and Mrs. M. M. Mullins, of Martinsville; Mrs. Cabell Smith and Mrs. Edmund Saunders, of Rocky Mount; Mrs. William F. Drewry and Mrs. R. T. Meade, of Petersburg; Mrs. W. M. Strother and Miss Ruth H. Early, of Lynchburg; Mrs. N. H. Hairston and Mrs. S. J. Evans, of Roanoke; Mrs. R. R. Evans and Mrs. W. W. McClung, of Salem; Mrs. Edgar D. Taylor and Mrs. Thomas Bocock, of Richmond; Mrs. John D. Horsley and Mrs. James A. Scott, of Lynchburg; Mrs. W. M. Howard, of Floyd; Mrs. Samuel W. Williams, of Wytheville; Mrs. Martin Williams, of Pearisburg; Mrs. James McGill and Miss Julia Leach, of Pulaski; Miss Mary Wysor, of Dublin; Mrs. R. M. Charlton and Miss Lelia Montague, of Christiansburg; Mrs. James H. Williams and Mrs. John C. Paxton, of Shenandoah; Mrs. C. M. Borum, of Strasburg; Mrs. Black, Mrs. Apperson and Mrs. Conner, of Blacksburg; Mrs. Marvin Sanders and Miss Margaret Preston, of Seven Mile Ford.

Mrs. Eustace Williams has been at the building since April 16th getting all in readiness for the success of the cafe, which will be run in connection with the building. She has arranged most attractive menus, which will whet the appetite of the worn out sight-seers, and comfort the inner man to such a degree that all visitors to the Daughters' Building will long remember the Jamestown Exposition as the most interesting and least fatiguing of all Expositions.

THE WILLIAM B. Terry Chapter, Bedford City, numbering more than 100 members, is raising funds for the erection of a monument to the memory of the Confederate

soldiers of Bedford, and already has more than \$3,000 on hand, \$1,500 of which was appropriated by the Board of Supervisors of Bedford. The location and design for the monument will be decided upon by the Joint Committee of the Joseph E. Johnson Camp, U. C. V., and the local chapter, U. D. C. The members from the chapter are: Mrs. Nannie Huffer Griffin, Mrs. Grace Tunstall Sale, Mrs. Myrtle Dinwiddie Phillips, Mrs. Mary Bell Claytor, and Mrs. Ellen Davis Gregory. Major S. S. Griffin is the chairman of the committee, Mrs. Phillips, treasurer, and Mrs. Gregory, treasurer.

MRS. S. GRIFFIN,
 Pres. Wm. R. Terry Chapter.

COLONIAL DAMES AT JAMESTOWN

[*The Keystone* has received the following article in answer to the article in the April *Keystone* on The Old Church at Jamestown:]

THE Memorial Church at Jamestown is being built by the National Society of Colonial Dames of America.

The architect is Mr. Wheelright, of Boston, and the church will be built of brick from two colonial houses at Hampton, Va., which were pulled down and the bricks conveyed to Jamestown. It is simple and beautiful in design and will be built over and around the old foundations and tower, in order to preserve them.

On Saturday, May 11th, 1907, the Colonial Dames, representatives from nearly all States, and the national officers will go to Jamestown Island and there present the building to the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities. The address of the day will be made by Thomas Nelson Page, and the church will be accepted by Mr. Joseph Bryan, of Richmond, for the A. P. V. A. The programme for May 11th, is to leave Richmond by boat at 7 A. M., a luncheon served to about 800 people on the boat. A company of the Richmond Blues will also go down, also a full surpliced choir which will take part in the brief dedicatory services. On the return trip the guests are invited by Mrs. Wm. McRamsay to stop at Westover for afternoon tea.

LANDON RANDOLPH DASHIELL,

Richmond, Va., April 17th, 1907.

WILLIAMSBURG, the second capital of Virginia, is the seat of the second oldest college in the United States.

RICHMOND, the capital of the Southern Confederacy, and an important point in history, is only a few hours' ride from the grounds.

JAMESTOWN ISLAND, where the first permanent settlement of English-speaking people was made in America, is two hours' run from Norfolk. Here are still to be seen remains of the old settlement of three centuries ago, and a museum of old historic relics of the early days of America.

THE EXPOSITION police force will be the Powatan Guards, an hundred and seventy-five strong, commanded by a United States marine officer. The Powatan Guards will be a military body, as well as a military police, and will be on duty at all times until the close of the Exposition.

Enclosed please find \$1.00 for two subscriptions to your valuable paper.
 * * * At our meeting on Thursday every one present expressed their appreciation of your paper and wished me to read it aloud at our meetings.

Levy FOUNTAIN BEEKELEY,
 Waterfall, Va.

Pres. 8th Va. Re'-t Chapter, U. D. C.

Enclosed please find 50 cents for my subscription to *The Keystone*, which is a welcome visitor.

E. H. BAUM.

Camden, S. C.

SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY

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Recorder of Crosses—Mrs. Thos. W. Keith, Clemson College.
(56 Chapters—2,209 Members.)

THE South Carolina Division welcomed into its membership this past month three new chapters of enthusiastic and capable Daughters of the Confederacy, namely: *The Williamsburg Chapter*, Kingstree, S. C., eight charter members; *The Stephen D. Lee Chapter*, Chester, S. C., thirty-seven charter members; *The Batesburg Chapter*, Batesburg, S. C., thirty-two charter members.

CHAPTERS are requested to send their contributions for the Scholarship Fund for the Division as soon as possible to Miss Mary McMichael, Orangeburg, S. C. The fund must reach \$150 before September 1st, 1907, when the Division will place its first scholarship.

APPLICANTS for this scholarship must be at least sixteen years of age and must pledge themselves to complete the three years' course offered by the Division. They must present a certificate stating that their family cannot afford to pay for their education, they must be the daughter or lineal descendant of a Confederate soldier of honorable record, and in cases of equal attainments offered preference will be given to the daughters of widows of Confederate soldiers.

MARY B. POPPENHEIM,
Pres. S. C. Division, U. D. C.

THE REGISTRAR, Mrs. C. E. Graham, Greenville, S. C., requests all chapters to file with her as soon as possible duplicates of all their membership blanks, of members past and present. With these duplicate papers chapters will send lists of the names of members whose records are sent, alphabetically arranged, and after each name will state whether the applicant is an active member, has resigned, been transferred to another chapter, or is dead. These lists are necessary accompaniments to the papers and will enable the Registrar to complete her records in a much more systematic manner.

Blanks for applications for membership may be secured from the Registrar, Mrs. C. E. Graham, Greenville, or from the Recording Secretary, Mrs. August Kohn, Columbia, S. C. The Registrar's report will be one of the most important at the next State convention and chapters should see to it that they have put their records in order as far as this report is concerned.

CHAPTERS bestowing Crosses of Honor are reminded by the Recorder of Crosses, Mrs. Keitt, that all applications for crosses must be in her office *three* weeks before they should be filed with the U. D. C. Custodian, Mrs. Raines, in order that she may have time to make the necessary records before forwarding them to Mrs. Raines. This will require that all papers shall be in the hands of Mrs. Keitt six weeks before the date of bestowal.

NOTICE is also given that after May 18th, the price of the cross will be increased to twelve and a half cents (12½), owing to an improvement in the clasp. The U. D. C. Custodian urges chapters to comply strictly with Rule 1, Section 2, in regard to *descendants*, and that mention to that effect be made on the data sheets.

MRS. KEITT also begs that all chapter presidents, who have not already done so, will notify her at once how many crosses were bestowed by their respective chapters prior to 1907. She wishes to find out the number of lists that will be required for the "back records," in order to order them, distribute, and have them filled and returned before the beginning of the summer vacation.

THE U. D. C. IN SOUTH CAROLINA will be pleased to read the following tribute to the ability of their painstaking and efficient Recorder of Crosses, Mrs. Keitt:

My Dear Miss Poppenheim: Mrs. Keitt sent me excellent suggestions for the list blanks which Mrs. Henderson and I like very much, and which we will adopt for our next printing. *** ANNIE W. DOWDELL, Recording Secretary, U. D. C.

March 19th, 1907.

THE PORTRAIT COMMITTEE: "As chairman of the Portrait Committee, it is my pleasant duty to report the picture of General Hagood is completed and will be shipped to-day (April 15th). I have notified my committee of this and also the wish expressed by General Hagood's friends that the portrait be presented during the reunion here in May, as many of the old Hagood Brigade will be here. The presentation will be made by one of Hagood's old soldiers, and the acceptance for the State by the Governor."

A. P. STONER,

Chairman Portrait Committee.

THE MARY ANN BUIE Chapter held its March meeting at the home of Mrs. Crouch, thirty members were present and Mrs. J. H. White presented a life-sized crayon portrait of Miss Buie to the chapter as a gift from Miss Marie Coleman, whose work the portrait was. The evening closed with a literary and musical program and delightful refreshments were served by the hostess of the afternoon.

This chapter has a card with a suitable quotation printed on it, which it ties with red and white ribbons to all wreaths and flowers sent out from the chapter.

UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY

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(Up-to-date notes.)

MINUTES of the Gulfport Convention: The Recording Secretary, U. D. C., Mrs. A. L. Dowdell, Opelika, Alabama, requests *The Keystone* to publish the following:

A number of copies of the Gulfport minutes are still on hand. Chapters that have not already secured copies of these minutes are urged to do so at once, by sending postage (25 cents) for their copies. Any chapter wishing to order extra copies is at liberty to do so by sending Mrs.

Dowdell the postage for the same. All chapters are reminded that these books are free of cost, the only expense to the chapter is the postage or express charges.

THE NEW ORLEANS CHAPTER, U. D. C., is making an appeal for the Beauregard Monument Association, and all U. D. C. organizations are asked to contribute. It is proposed to erect in New Orleans, a monument to General Beauregard, to cost not less than \$15,000, of which amount \$7,000 has already been raised by the Beauregard Monument Association of Veterans. Any contributions will be gladly received and may be forwarded to Mrs. F. A. Monroe, 847 Carondelet street, New Orleans, La., or to any officer of the New Orleans Chapter, U. D. C.

DIXIE.—The inquiry has come to *The Keystone* as to the possibility of securing a copy of Col. W. S. Hay's "Dixie." About 5,000 copies of this sheet of music were published and sold in the South. Any one having a copy of this song and wishing to dispose of it will please address *The Keystone*, Charleston, S. C., stating the condition of the music and the price desired for it.

THE FLORIDA Division U. D. C. will hold their annual convention in Jacksonville, May 1-4th. Our honored and efficient president, Mrs. Sheldon Stringer, will preside. An unusually large attendance is expected from all sections of the State. The preparations for this meeting are in charge of the Martha Reid Chapter, with their indefatigable president, Mrs. J. O. Bessent, as the chairman of arrangements. All will sincerely regret the absence from this meeting of our beloved ex-State President, Mrs. H. E. B. Stockbridge. Her recent removal to Atlanta, Ga., prevents her from attending.

Mrs. Catherine M. Drysdale, Martha Reid Chapter, has recently been appointed State Chairman of Confederate Soldiers' Home. Mrs. Elizabeth McNelty has been appointed State Recorder of Crosses.

A full report of the Jacksonville Convention will be given in the June *Keystone*. **MRS. JOHN R. NOLAN.**

U. D. C. Correspondent for *The Keystone*.

THE MANY U. D. C., who attended the Gulfport Convention last November will be interested to learn that the very efficient and enthusiastic president of the Mississippi Division, U. D. C., Mrs. Helen D. Bell, was married on March 2d to General Munroe McClurg. General and Mrs. McClurg will make their home in Greenwood, Mississippi. The Mississippi Division presented their president with a silver pitcher and tray of colonial design suitably inscribed as a wedding gift, and the good wishes of the U. D. C. generally, follow Mrs. McClurg to her new home.

THE POCOHONTAS MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

By Ella Lorraine Dorsey, Author of "Pocahontas," etc.

THE sense of historic values has been so well demonstrated by American women during the past seventeen years that each new organization secures a certain recognition in the public eye.

One of the latest is the Pocahontas Memorial Association, whose object is to erect a monument to the young Algonquin Princess, whose humanity, courage and generosity enabled the Jamestown Colony to make good its footing,

and to open to the nations of the world the Road to the West.

It is organized on a national basis, and, although but eighteen months old, already numbers some 2,000 members and is growing rapidly under the simple but efficacious method adopted.

This consists in the payment of a life membership fee of \$1.00. There are no dues and no duties, except that each member shall bring in one new recruit and do all that is possible to spread the knowledge of the debt our race owes the memory of Powhatan's daughter.

The saving of the life of Captain John Smith, when (as he states in his petition on her behalf to Queen Anne of Denmark, the wife of James I.), "she hazarded the beating out of her own brains to save mine," was the first act of mercy shown the strange people who had come to her father's Domain of Thirty Tribes. But important as this was, the claim to a memorial rests on her saving Smith and his whole company from massacre when the treachery of "the Dutchmen" and Powhatan's own distrust of the foreigners culminated in the plot of which she warned them; and in her rescuing the entire colony from starvation for two winters, during which time she came "with her wilde traine every four or five days" laden with corn and wild game; and "she next, under God, was still the instrument to preserve the colonie from death, famine, and utter confusion, which, if in those days had once been dissolved. Virginia might have lain as it was at our first arrivall to this day." (1616.)

The memorial takes the form of a bronze statue of heroic size, which will be erected on Jamestown Island and unveiled during the Exposition.

Mr. Wm. Ordway Partridge, of New York, is the sculptor, and the exquisite design model, offered during the fall, was unanimously approved by the committee and accepted by the association. The cost will be \$10,000, of which \$2,500 have already been paid in on the contract through the treasurer, Mr. C. C. Glover, president of the Riggs National Bank, and Mr. C. C. Calhoun, the legal counsel of the association.

As becomes a historic association, it has issued a document, but in clay, as it is the Pocahontas Plate, which reproduces the Boston Hall portrait, better known to students of history through the De Passe engraving.

This, with its Badge, its Button, its photograph of the Marriage of Pocahontas, its official Ribbon and its Post-cards are being earnestly pressed for sale by the members, in order to complete a second payment of \$2,500, so the casting can be proceeded with immediately.

Membership is especially welcomed, as the hope of the organization is to find at least 10,000 people among our 85,000,000 who will unite in paying this debt of gratitude to the young girl who was the guardian of our race until its colonists could stand alone and grow strong enough to survive the fourteen years more that followed Powhatan's death.

Of course I wish to renew my subscription. All the more I take an interest in the fine work of my friends that I can do nothing myself except wish God-speed.

L. S. W. PERKINS.

Concord, Mass.

BOOK REVIEWS

The Bible as English Literature has just been published by J. H. Gardiner, assistant professor of English in Harvard University. This book should be of especial interest to all club women, as one of the four model programs issued by the Literature Committee of the General Federation this year has as its subject, "*The Bible as Literature*." The present volume is the result of a course of study which Prof. Gardiner offered for several years at Harvard University in the department of English, and its object is "to make students familiar with the English Bible, and to throw light on its literary forms by bringing together facts from the history of its sources and from the history of the translation into English." Prof. Gardiner has confined himself to the Authorized Version, and assumes the fact of inspiration. The book is divided into the following chapters: *The Narrative, The Poetry, The Wisdom Books, The Epistles of the New Testament, The Prophecy, The Apocalypse, The Translation and King James Bible*. The whole subject is treated in a most interesting and instructive manner. The writer is perfectly at home with every part of his subject, and at the end gives a list of references for those who may care to go deeper into the subject.

(Cloth, \$1.50. Charles Scribner's Sons, New York City.)

"*Aunt Jane of Kentucky*," by Eliza Calvert Hall, is pre-eminently a picture of rural life in Kentucky portrayed by a woman of the *Blue Grass* country, who has done for life in her country what Mary E. Wilkins has done for New England. Although this is her first book, the author shows genius in her wonderful human touch. "*Aunt Jane*" is a reality, she speaks directly to all through her humble life and simple stories, and her tender philosophy is understood by all. The reader is taken into that community and for the time lives with "*Aunt Jane*" and her neighbors. Sally Ann's experience, originally published separately in the *Cosmopolitan Magazine*, was pronounced a masterpiece in rural character delineations and has been read and re-read. A copy of this popular story, which is the first chapter of "*Aunt Jane of Kentucky*", will be sent on request by Messrs. Little Brown & Co., Boston, if you mention "*The Keystone*" in writing. The illustrations, by Beulah Strong, are especially attractive.

(Cloth, \$1.50. Little Brown & Co., Boston, Mass.)

"*The American Scene*," by Henry James, is a book of unusual interest. Mr. James, after an absence from America of over twenty-five years, makes a tour of the principal cities, and the present volume is the result of his observations. He writes of New England, New York, Newport, Boston, Concord and Salem, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Richmond, Charleston and Florida in his own inimitable style, which, while often is very involved, always carries a strongly directed point. In commenting on these various places Mr. James is always objective, he sees things from the European's standpoint, and does not ever speak as "*one of us*." While he is often unsympathetic, his remarks on the "*Country Club*" as a distinctively American institution, are very appropriate, and he comments on this *American institution* in each city that he visits. Boston and Philadelphia seem to appeal most strongly to Mr. James; he is especially severe in his treatment of Richmond, giving much offense to the residents, and while he speaks of Charleston as "*a city of gardens and absolutely no men*," he is made to "*feel*," and pays a glowing tribute to the south wall of St. Michael's church. Mr. James saw Charleston in company with Mr. Owen Wister, and refers to him as his guide in this city. The book has 443 pages, and while we may not always approve of Mr. James' opinions, it is very interesting to note in each instance what impressed him as worthy of mention.

(Cloth, \$3.00. Harper & Brothers, New York City.)

"*Lords and Lovers*," by Olive Tilford Dargan, will be warmly welcomed by the many friends of this gifted, young Southern writer who has already won fame in the literary world by her former publications. The present volume, "*Lords and Lovers and Other Dramas*," has been most favorably commented on by Hamilton Mabie in the *Outlook* of February 9th, by James Huneker in the *North American Review*, and by Wendell Phillips Garrison, formerly editor of the *Nation*. With such recognition from men of letters, and following the announcement that Mr. E. H. Sothern has accepted "*The Shepherd*" for production by himself and Miss Julia Marlowe, the South can indeed be proud of this brilliant dramatist. Mrs. Dargan's lines are rhythmic, stately and classic. She has a wonderful vocabulary and her incidents are remarkably well chosen. She has the real dramatic instinct, and each drama is resplendent with action and fire. Mrs. Dargan is at present living at Log Cabin Inn, Stearns, Polk County, N. C., and her friends will anxiously watch for anything that she may publish in the future.

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"*The Journal of American History*" is a new publication issued quarterly by the Associated Publishers of American Records, in New Haven, Conn. This journal contains articles relating to the life of men and events that have entered into the building of the Western Continent. The first number has just been issued, and is a work of the publishers' art as well as a valuable historical edition. The cover carries the coat of arms of the Hooker family, emblazoned in colors. An illustrated article on The American Flag opens the pages. "*Personal Messages*" from a number of Governors voices the States in expressing what America needs to-day, while personal memoirs, letters and memories from the eighteenth century take us back to those early days, and a place is given to art, music, science and war in special articles. The illustrations are especially beautiful, and they alone would make the magazine valuable. This present number has 190 pages and is a rich collection of interesting and valuable historical material. In many instances rare documents are published for the first time, and all students of American history are referred to this new publication as a rare edition of original material arranged in most attractive form.

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